

## OPINION 1599

***Papilio carthami* Hübner, [1813] and *Syrichthus serratulae major* Staudinger, 1879 (currently both in *Pyrgus*; Insecta, Lepidoptera): the specific names *carthami* and *major* conserved**

### Ruling

(1) Under the plenary powers the specific name *maior* Fabricius, 1787, as published in the trinomen *Papilio malvae maior*, and all uses of the name *maior* Fabricius, 1793, are hereby suppressed for the purposes of both the Principle of Priority and the Principle of Homonymy.

(2) The following names are hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology:

(a) *carthami* Hübner, [1813], as published in the binomen *Papilio carthami*;

(b) *major* Staudinger, 1879, as published in the trinomen *Syrichthus serratulae major*.

(3) The name *maior* Fabricius, 1787, as published in the trinomen *Papilio malvae maior* and as suppressed in (1) above, is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Specific Names in Zoology.

### History of Case 2623

An application for the conservation of the specific names of the Skipper butterflies *Papilio carthami* Hübner, [1813] and *Syrichthus serratulae major* Staudinger, 1879 was received from Dr R. de Jong (*Rijksmuseum van Natuurlijke Historie, Leiden, The Netherlands*) on 7 September 1987. After correspondence the case was published in BZN 45: 280–282 (December 1988). Notice of the case was sent to appropriate journals. No comments were received.

### Decision of the Commission

On 1 December 1989 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 45: 281. At the close of the voting period on 1 March 1990 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes — 24: Bayer, Bock, Cocks, Cogger, Corliss, Hahn, Halvorsen, Heppell, Holthuis, Kraus, Lehtinen, Macpherson, Mahnert, Martins de Souza, Minelli, Mroczkowski, Nielsen, Nye, Ride, Savage, Schuster, Trjapitzin, Uéno, Willink

Negative votes — 1: Thompson.

No votes were received from Kabata and Starobogatov.

Dupuis abstained.

Thompson considered insufficient evidence had been provided to justify the suppression of the name *maior* Fabricius, 1787.

### Original references

The following are the original references to the names placed on an Official List and an Official Index by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

*carthami*, *Papilio*, Hübner, [1813], *Sammlung europäischer Schmetterlinge*, vol. 1, pl. 143.

*maior*, *Papilio malvae*, Fabricius, 1787, *Mantissa insectorum*, vol. 2, p. 91.

*major*, *Syrichthus serratulae*, Staudinger, 1879, *Horae Societatis Entomologicae Rossicae*, 14: 292.